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## GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT AGARTALA

F.No.7(313)FWPM/ESTT/LAW/2020

Dated, Agartala, the 19th January, 2021.

## **NOTIFICATION**

As per approval of the Government of Tripura ref. U.O No. 505 dated 25.11.2020 in accordance with the recent ICMR guidelines regarding the "Standard Protocol of Medico-legal autopsy'2020", as they are in consonance with the world wide practices and the clear mandate of Section 174 CrPC which mandates that Post Mortem examination of the deceased is mandatory only when there is any doubt regarding the cause of death. The followings are to be implemented in the State of Tripura:-

To avoid conduction of unnecessary Post Mortem examinations, when there is no doubt regarding the cause of death by Implementation of Section 174 CrPC like deaths due to COVID-19, BURNS, POISONING, INJURIES etc even if the case is labeled as Medico-legal Case.

- 2. In respect of SL No 1 above Medical Certificate of the Cause of Death (MCCD) to be issued by treating doctor as per under sub section (2) of "Section 10 (3) of Registration of Births & Deaths Act. 1969" in "Form No-4 for institutional death and Form No- 4A" for Non-Institutional deaths and in all medico legal deaths, one copy of Cause of Death Certificate shall be handed over to the Investigating Police Officer for further necessary action along with the dead body.
- Method of Certification of Cause of Death to be strictly adhered to as per "Registration of Births & Deaths Act. 1969.
- Adoption non invasive autopsy of COVID-19 positive cases labeled as Medico Legal case.

However unless there has been a specific cause under section 174 of Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC) Post Mortem examination must be conducted.

Under Secretary,
Govt. of Tripura, Agartala.